

TEMPORARY ASSISTANCE FOR NEEDY FAMILIES

The 2005-07 executive budget recommendation includes funding of \$24,480,000, \$5,027,940 less than the 2003-05 appropriation. The reduction is based on the number of temporary assistance for needy families (TANF) recipients and average monthly payments during the 2003-05 biennium, both of which have been lower than anticipated.

The 2005-07 executive budget recommendation includes funding to serve an estimated average monthly caseload of 3,000. The September 2004 caseload was 2,824.

The 2005-07 executive budget recommendation anticipates monthly assistance payments to average \$340 per case for the 2005-07 biennium. The average payment per case in September 2004 was \$330.

The following schedule compares the 2001-03 and 2003-05 biennium appropriations to the 2005-07 executive budget:

	2001-03 Biennium Adjusted Appropriation	2003-05 Biennium Appropriation	2005-07 Executive Budget Recommendation	2003-05 Executive Budget Increase (Decrease) Compared to 2001-03 Adjusted Appropriations
Temporary Assistance for Needy Families				
Federal funds	\$13,614,095	\$13,341,867	\$8,375,352	(\$4,966,515)
General fund	3,950,382	3,939,432	3,939,432	0
Retained funds \1	8,300,123	8,392,385	8,301,681	(90,704)
Other funds - Child support collections	2,891,860	3,834,256	3,863,535	29,279
	<u>28,756,460</u>	<u>29,507,940</u>	<u>24,480,000</u>	<u>(\$5,027,940)</u>
Total - TANF	<u>\$28,756,460</u> \2	<u>\$29,507,940</u>	<u>\$24,480,000</u>	<u>(\$5,027,940)</u>

\1 These funds are federal funds received for administrative costs incurred by the counties that the state retains per the "swap" agreement with the counties.

\2 The 2001-03 biennium legislative appropriation of \$25,626,056 was increased by \$3,130,404, of which \$2,463,544 was federal TANF block grant funds and \$666,860 was from projected additional child support collections.